had indicated an allocation of Rs. 13.33 crores and Rs. 20 crores for the respective projects during 1998-99. On the basis of the technical advice given by the Central Public health is Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEFO) in this Ministry, the State Government had subsequently submitted modified project proposals costing Rs. 444.614 crores and Rs. 161 crores respectively, which have been recommended by the Union Govt. for World Bank assistance.

Construction of DDA Flats by Private Enterprises

3669. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to construct DDA flats privately to expedite addition of flats at quicker pace;

(b) if so, how the control is to be exercised over private enterprises; and

(c) the mode for price and quality control to be devised to help the ordinary citizens getting accommodation at moderate rate?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) No, Sir. However, it has been decided to involve private section in the housing industry in Delhi. Order in this regard issued on 19.6.98 inter-alia stipulate that the minimum area required for land assembly will be 30 acres of contiguous land. The ownership of the person(s) should be legal, the developer will have to pay 20% of the market value of the gross area into the shelter fund and 10% houses will be for the EWS & LIG category.

(b) and (c) It is being proposed to regulate the builders through a Legislation which will prescribe control over materials used in construction, adherence to specifications, timely completion of housing projects, rectification of defects and penalties & punishments in case of default.

Amendment in Conversion of Lease Hold Properties into Free-Hold

3670. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made some amendments in the conversion of lease-hold properties into free-hold in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

House Tax of Janata Flats

3671. SHRI BRAHMA KUMAR BHATT: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Janta Flats come within the purview of house tax;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Janta Flats built in 25 Sq. Yards are exempted from the house tax;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the Janta Flats were allotted at the end of 1996 but the house tax has been charged from 1991; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) to (d) Municipal Corporation of Delhi has informed that Property Tax is levied on